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 TOPIC: Soviet Motor Vehicle Repair Shop in Zeesen.

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1. Between 24 and 29 September 1951 the Soviet motor vehicle repair shop at Zeesen hired 4 carpenters, 6 mechanics, and 4 women for the leather shop. (1)
2. 50X1-HUM shipments arriving at the depot is incomplete. Among those observed were: Ford truck 50X1-HUM on 24 September; tank truck 50X1-HUM on 26 September; and Studebaker trucks 50X1-HUM on 28 September. On 24 September, two truck engines for Chevrolet vehicles arrived at the depot from Gotha. 50X1-HUM
3. On 23 September, 1 officer and 4 EM picked up repair shop trucks 50X1-HUM. The vehicles had been delivered to the shop from the Nationale Automobil-Gesellschaft (NAG) (National Automobile Corporation) in Oberschoeneweide. 50X1-HUM
4. Captured German busses, which are parked in the shop's parking lot, have been overhauled at the shop at a rate of one per day. To date, at least 100 busses have been overhauled and, apparently, shipped to the U.S.S.R. However, the rate of completion of busses has considerably decreased in recent months. For example, in September 1951, only four busses, with 25 to 30 seats each, have been completed. Two busses were of type ZIS, one Mercedes and one Magirus. (2)
5. The following shop-owned motor vehicles 50X1-HUM

Type
 Ford truck
 ZIS trucks

Type
 Chevrolet trucks

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ZIS tank truck
 ZIS bus
 Chevrolet trucks

Chevrolet trucks
 with hoisting gear

Willva jeep

(3)

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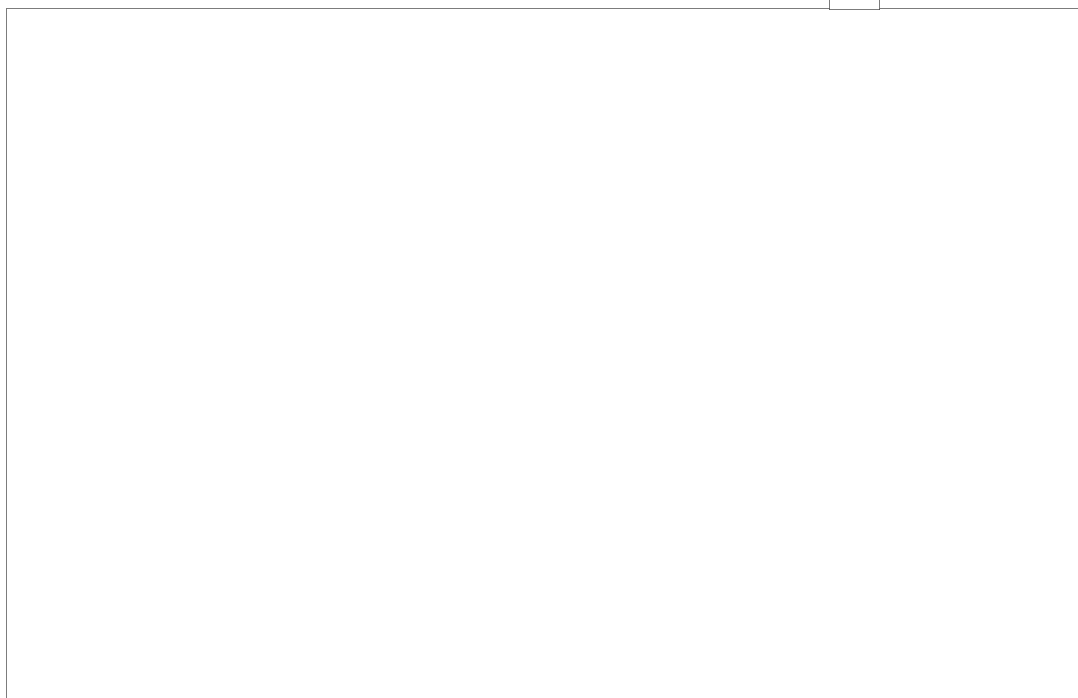


6. By the end of September, 10 German women have been newly hired at the leather shop of the motor vehicle repair shop [redacted]. 50X1-HUM
 Four more men for the shop's fire brigade, 6 mechanics, and 6 female operators were wanted. 50X1-HUM

7. Since mid-September a new spray painting shop has been established.

8. The quota of vehicles scheduled for completion in August was not met because of the lack of sheet metal, especially of deep-drawn sheet metal. Therefore, the quota of vehicles for completion in September 1941 was set at 54 Chevrolet trucks, 5 Studebaker trucks, and 6 busses with 22 seats each. (h)

9. [redacted] 1,500 trucks needing repairs 50X1-HUM
 were scheduled to arrive at the shop during October. The vehicles were allegedly to come from the Soviet Zone of Germany, Poland and the U.S.S.R.
 The rate of repair of these trucks was to be accelerated. [redacted] 50X1-HUM



11. Outgoing shipments of materiel and vehicles. 50X1-HUM

10 September	6 trucks by rail.		
11 September	Repair shop trucks	[redacted]	
		[redacted]	They had been completed by soldiers who arrived on truck [redacted]
12 September	Engines picked up by trucks	[redacted]	
13 September	Gears picked up by truck	[redacted]	
14 September	Engines and gears picked up by trucks	[redacted]	
	6 drums of gasoline picked up by truck	[redacted]	
15 September	20 trucks by rail, completed by soldiers who arrived on truck	[redacted]	
16 September	Repair shop trucks	[redacted]	50X1-HUM
21 September	Repair shop truck	[redacted]	by road.
22 September	Gears picked up by truck	[redacted]	gears and engines picked up by truck [redacted]
24 September	10 trucks by rail, completed by soldiers who arrived on trucks	[redacted]	50X1-HUM

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26 September Gears, blankets and a drum of gasoline, picked up by truck [redacted] 50X1-HUM
 29 September Repair shop trucks [redacted] 50X1-HUM
 and [redacted] by road: 6 busses, including [redacted] 50-00, [redacted] were completed. 50X1-HUM
 4 October Repair shop trucks [redacted] [redacted] by road. [redacted] 50X1-HUM
 [redacted] Comments. 50X1-HUM

(1)

- (1) [redacted] While German personnel employed with army units were reportedly being discharged, German workers are being rehired at supply installations, as was observed at the clothing depot in Bernau and the motor vehicle repair shop in Berlin-Oberschoeneweide.
- (2) The overhauling and shipment of vehicles to the U.S.S.R. seem possible, but no reports on rail movements have mentioned such shipments to date.
- (3) All shop-owned motor vehicles belong to the GDR.
- (4) This [redacted] is the first information stating that there is a shortage of raw material at the repair plant in Zeeschen. This shop is doubtlessly the most efficient shop in the Soviet Zone of Germany.

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